

# SOCIETY.

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been called to Richmond on account of the sickness of her husband.

Miss Bela Tucker McGuire, of Winchester, is visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Mary Story, of Franklin, will remain some time longer with us.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lyzotte are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Michael, parents of Mrs. Lyzotte, in Lawrenceville.

Mrs. E. L. Burruss and Mrs. L. Linton, of Emporia, arrived Friday for a short stay.

Mrs. T. J. Smith is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Brokan, in Corbin, Va.

Miss Mayme Pickett Jones is the guest of Miss Egle Duncan Blackwell, in Ashland.

Miss Marion Lee Montague, who has been visiting Misses Helen and Page Nixon, in Ashland, has returned home.

Mrs. Edward Gilman is visiting her father, Mr. W. L. Lumpkin, near Ashland.

Miss Louise Allen, of Staunton, will be some time here with friends before going for a visit to Camden, S. C.

Mr. J. P. Breckenridge and Miss Emma Cary Breckenridge, of Fincastle, have returned from a pleasant stay in Richmond.

Miss Bernice Dutton has returned to her home in Herndon, from a visit here to relatives.

Miss Delma Spencer, of Fort Mitchell,

# GENERAL GRANT, COMMANDER OF UNION FORCES, SHOWN TO HAVE BEEN THE OWNER OF SLAVES

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## Fac Simile of a Letter from Mrs. Grant Which Sets at Rest All Question on This Point.

The Times-Dispatch recently, in reply to a special inquiry from a Northern gentleman, published something about the ownership of negro slaves by General Ulysses S. Grant. This publication, though based upon well supported facts, was merely hearsay and from previous newspaper statements.

The item in The Times-Dispatch was seen by Mr. L. W. Wise, of this city, and he thereupon gave us an original letter from Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, General Grant's widow, which is printed in fac simile form on this page.

This course was adopted by The Times-Dispatch to set at rest for all time the question of ownership of slaves by General Grant.

There is nothing surprising in a Union soldier owning slaves, as a great many men in the Union army from Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri were slave holders, but General Grant had never in any way, in the popular mind, been associated with the South or its institutions, and that he, though in right of his wife, should have been a slave holder is a very interesting fact, and the conclusive proof of it is published to-day.



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Washington, D.C.  
Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1901  
2111 Massachusetts Avenue.

Mr. L. W. Wise  
Dear Sir  
I would say  
in reply to yours of  
November 22<sup>nd</sup>, asking  
if General Grant was  
ever a slave holder—  
Yes, he was from the  
time he was married  
up to the date of President  
Lincoln's proclamation.

freeing all the slaves in  
our Union, I owned  
five, two males and three  
females. Ann, Julia,  
Eliza, Sam and John,  
all the children of one  
mother except Ann, who  
was the oldest daughter  
of my kind good nurse  
Kittie. Ann died six  
or seven years after my  
marriage. The other four  
were of course liberated  
during the war. I well

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remember being much annoyed during  
the early part of the war, when on  
arriving at Covington, Kentucky, I had  
some trouble about getting Julia, my  
nurse, in. She was with me also at  
Holly Springs, and by the merest accident  
fortunately escaped being captured by  
Van Horn, as were my carriage and  
horses. I can assure you however that  
it is not true that General U. S. Grant  
ever sold one of these servants, as some  
of his chroniclers have asserted, when  
Captain Grant went to Galena about a  
year or eighteen months before the war.  
We left two of them at home with my  
father, and the other two at good homes.  
When they were taken care of, my father  
Frederick Dent advised me not to take

is spending a few weeks in the city.

Mrs. J. T. Dewey, of Manassas, is the guest of her sisters, Mrs. George W. Leith and Miss Olive Johnson.

Mrs. C. L. Collins, of Caroline county, is the guest of relatives in Richmond.

Mr. John G. Broadus, a student of the Medical College of Virginia, is spending some time with his parents in Caroline county.

Mrs. Rosa Toler and daughter are the guests of Mrs. L. S. Butler, near Louisa, Va.

Miss Bettie M. Chisholm, of Fredericksburg, is the guest of relatives in the city.

Miss Mollie Magill Bridges, of Ashland, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George D. Hutchings.

Miss Angie McGruder, of Caroline county, has returned to "Mulberry Place," the home of the Misses Woodfolk, after a pleasant stay in Richmond.

Miss Maggie Stone is visiting friends in Alexandria.

Mr. Robert L. Rose, of Lynchburg, sailed with his wife on the White Star steamship "Republic" on Saturday, touching the Azores, Gibraltar, Algiers and Genoa, thence to Nice, Naples, Rome, Florence, Venice, Milan, Paris and London.

Cards have been received in the city announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. Edgar Wisman, of Woodstock, and Miss Ella Downey, of Mount Jackson. The wedding will take place in Mount Jackson on March 24.

Mrs. William Owen Moore will entertain at cards Wednesday evening, March 1st, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

## FREDERICKSBURG, VA.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Feb. 25.—Mrs. A. T. Embury entertained the Ladies' White Club Tuesday evening at her home on Hanover Street, from 4 to 6 o'clock, and after the game elegant refreshments were served.

Mrs. George R. Nicholson gave a whist party to a number of her friends one evening this week and served refreshments.

Mrs. Horace F. Clarendon has returned to her home here after a pleasant visit to her parents in Madison county.

Mrs. J. A. Taylor has returned from a visit to Mrs. D. S. Russell in Roanoke.

Miss Mamie Ambler is visiting relatives in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hirsch have arrived here from their bridal tour and are at home to their friends.

Mrs. Sarah Hunter and her granddaughters, Miss Frances Bowler and Mrs. Lillian Brown, have gone to Baltimore to spend the balance of the winter.

Miss Florence Clark is visiting friends in Philadelphia, and will later go to Harvard on an extended visit.

Mrs. E. D. Cole and daughter, Miss Alice G. Cole, have gone to Washington for a stay of several weeks.

Mrs. W. E. Compton has returned from a visit to her father, Captain D. M. Davis and family, in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Howard are visiting relatives in Alexandria.

Miss Neenie Dix, of Washington, was here this week visiting her parents, Major and Mrs. W. T. Dix.

Mrs. Percy Myers, of Washington, is a guest of General and Mrs. D. D. Wheeler at their elegant home on Main Street.

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we would remain, in which  
case I could arrange  
with them to serve for a  
term of years, as he had  
arranged with the colored  
servants he sent with my  
brothers going to California  
who were taking their  
families with them.  
The servants sent on these

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servants served faithfully,  
their pledge & promise  
remaining two or three years  
with their young masters.  
I am very glad to have this  
opportunity of declaring as  
utterly false the report that  
my husband Captain Grant  
ever sold a slave, he looked  
upon these servants from my  
home as a part of my  
family.

Yours truly  
Julia Dent Grant

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